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porous oil-impregnated bearing as set forth in claim 31, wherein after forming said hydrodynamic pressure generating grooves, removing said compacting pressure, releasing said forming pattern from the inner peripheral surface of said porous blank whilst utilizing spring-back of said porous blank due to the removal of said compacting pressure.

**REMARKS**

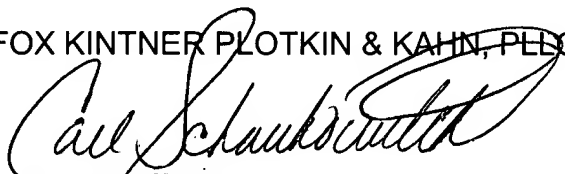
Claims 17-33 are pending in the Application. By this Amendment, claims 28-33 are added.

Prompt and courteous examination on the merits is respectfully requested. In view of the applied art cited in previous Office Actions, reconsideration of the application and allowance of the pending claims are respectfully solicited. Should the Examiner believe anything further is desirable in order to place the Application in even better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact Applicant's representative at the telephone number listed below.

In the event additional fees are required, please charge Counsel's Deposit Account No. 01-2300.

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